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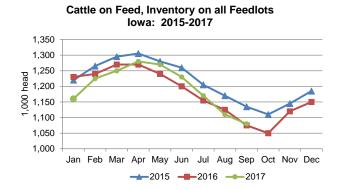
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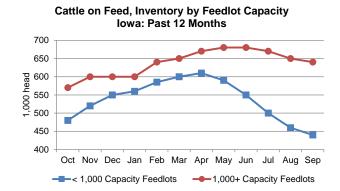
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**Cattle and calves on feed** for the slaughter market in Iowa feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 640,000 head on September 1, 2017, according to the latest USDA, National Agricultural Statistics Service – *Cattle on Feed* report. This was down 2 percent from August 1, 2017, but up 10 percent from September 1, 2016. Iowa feedlots with a capacity of less than 1,000 head had 440,000 head on feed, down 4 percent from last month and down 11 percent from last year. Cattle and calves on feed for the slaughter market in all Iowa feedlots totaled 1,080,000 head, down 3 percent from last month but up 5,000 head from last year.

**Placements** of cattle and calves in Iowa feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head during August totaled 92,000 head, an increase of 53 percent from last month and up 30 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity of less than 1,000 head placed 41,000 head, up 3 percent from last month and up 14 percent from last year. Placements for all feedlots in Iowa totaled 133,000 head, up 33 percent from last month and up 24 percent from last year.

**Marketings** of fed cattle from Iowa feedlots with a capacity of 1,000 or more head during August totaled 101,000 head, up 28 percent from last month and up 12 percent from last year. Feedlots with a capacity of less than 1,000 head marketed 60,000 head, down 22 percent from last month and down 6 percent from last year. Marketings for all feedlots in Iowa were 161,000 head, up 3 percent from last month and up 5 percent from last year. **Other disappearance** from all feedlots in Iowa totaled 2,000 head.





### All Cattle on Feed - Iowa

| Item   | Feedlots<br>1,000+ capacity | Feedlots<br>less than 1,000 capacity | All feedlots |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|--|-----------------------------|--------------------------------------|--------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
|  | (1,000 head)                | (1,000 head)                         | (1,000 head) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Cattle on feed <sup>1</sup> , August 1, 2017 | 650                         | 460                                  | 1,110        |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| August placements                            | 92                          | 41                                   | 133          |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| August marketings                            | 101                         | 60                                   | 161          |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| August other disappearance 2                 | 1                           | 1                                    | 2            |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Cattle on feed, September 1, 2017            | 640                         | 440                                  | 1,080        |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Cattle on feed are steers and heifers being fed a ration of grain, silage, hay and/or protein supplement for slaughter market that are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better. It excludes cattle being "backgrounded only" for later sale as feeders or later placement in another feedlot.

<sup>2</sup> Includes death loss, movement from feedlots to pasture, and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding.

## Cattle on Feed, Placements, Marketings, and Other Disappearance by Month, 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots – Selected States and United States: 2016-2017

| State         | Cattle on feed <sup>1</sup><br>September 1 |                 | Placements<br>during August |                 | Marketings<br>during August |                    | August disappearance<br>other than<br>slaughter <sup>2</sup> |                 |                    |                 |                 |                    |
|---------------|--|-----------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------------|--------------------|--|-----------------|--------------------|-----------------|-----------------|--------------------|
|               | 2016                                       | 2017            | '17 as<br>% of '16          | 2016            | 2017                        | '17 as<br>% of '16 | 2016   | 2017            | '17 as<br>% of '16 | 2016            | 2017            | '17 as<br>% of '16 |
|               | (1,000<br>head)                            | (1,000<br>head) | (percent)                   | (1,000<br>head) | (1,000<br>head)             | (percent)          | (1,000<br>head)  | (1,000<br>head) | (percent)          | (1,000<br>head) | (1,000<br>head) | (percent)          |
| Arizona       | 271  | 244             | 90                          | 14              | 20                          | 143                | 24   | 19              | 79                 | 1               | 1               | 100                |
| California    | 405  | 420             | 104                         | 40              | 39                          | 98                 | 42   | 46              | 110                | 3               | 3               | 100                |
| Colorado      | 800  | 860             | 108                         | 170             | 175                         | 103                | 175  | 190             | 109                | 5               | 5               | 100                |
| Idaho         | 225  | 240             | 107                         | 45              | 44                          | 98                 | 49   | 52              | 106                | 1               | 2               | 200                |
| lowa          | 580  | 640             | 110                         | 71              | 92                          | 130                | 90   | 101             | 112                | 1               | 1               | 100                |
| Kansas        | 2,170                                      | 2,220           | 102                         | 485             | 495                         | 102                | 415  | 445             | 107                | 10              | 10              | 100                |
| Minnesota     | 119  | 120             | 101                         | 15              | 20                          | 133                | 28   | 29              | 104                | 1               | 1               | 100                |
| Nebraska      | 2,100                                      | 2,150           | 102                         | 465             | 470                         | 101                | 450  | 470             | 104                | 5               | 10              | 200                |
| Oklahoma      | 300  | 315             | 105                         | 58              | 65                          | 112                | 57   | 64              | 112                | 1               | 1               | 100                |
| South Dakota  | 215  | 215             | 100                         | 33              | 45                          | 136                | 37   | 49              | 132                | 1               | 1               | 100                |
| Texas         | 2,490                                      | 2,590           | 104                         | 395             | 385                         | 97                 | 415  | 435             | 105                | 10              | 10              | 100                |
| Washington    | 180  | 200             | 111                         | 35              | 33                          | 94                 | 44   | 36              | 82                 | 1               | 2               | 200                |
| Other States  | 280  | 290             | 104                         | 53              | 45                          | 85                 | 42   | 43              | 102                | 1               | 2               | 200                |
| United States | 10,135                                     | 10,504          | 104                         | 1,879           | 1,928                       | 103                | 1,868  | 1,979           | 106                | 41              | 49              | 120                |

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#### UNITED STATES CATTLE ON FEED

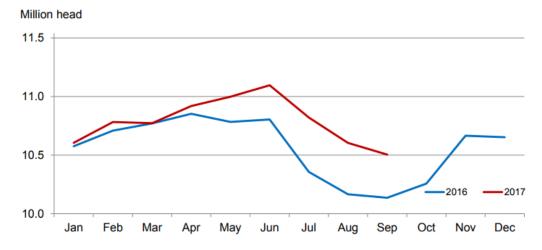
**Cattle and calves on feed** for the slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 10.5 million head on September 1, 2017. The inventory was 4 percent above September 1, 2016.

**Placements** in feedlots during August totaled 1.93 million head, 3 percent above 2016. Net placements were 1.88 million head. During August, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 360,000 head, 600-699 pounds were 285,000 head, 700-799 pounds were 418,000 head, 800-899 pounds were 485,000 head, 900-999 pounds were 270,000 head, and 1,000 pounds and greater were 110,000 head.

Marketings of fed cattle during August totaled 1.98 million head, 6 percent above 2016.

Other disappearance totaled 49,000 head during August, 20 percent above 2016.

# Cattle on Feed Inventory on 1,000+ Capacity Feedlots – United States



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Includes death loss, movement from feedlots to pasture, and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding.